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SUBJECT: NPG - BRACKETED LANGUAGE IN PARA 7 OF DRAFT
PERMREP REPORT ON FREDERIKSHAVN FOLLOW-UP ACTION

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(B) STATE 128473 (DTG: 210819Z MAY 78)
(C) USNATO 5237 (DTG: 241137Z MAY 78)

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1. AS A RESULT OF THE 22 MAY 78 STAFF GROUP MEETING
REPORTED REFTEL A, WE BELIEVE WASHINGTON OBJECTIVES
(REFTEL B) WERE ACHIEVED EXCEPT FOR BRACKETED LANGUAGE
IN PARA 7 OF NEW TEXT (REFTEL C). WE ARE PREPARED TO
HOLD THE LINE WITH THE LANGUAGE WE PROPOSED ON 22 MAY
(SECOND SET OF BRACKETS), CONTINUING TO ARGUE THAT WE
SHOULD WAIT UNTIL CURRENT STUDIES ARE DRAWN TOGETHER
BEFORE LAUNCHING FORTH ON YET ANOTHER. WE WOULD POINT
OUT THAT WE HAVE OUR PLATES FULL WITH THE MARITIME
STUDY, HIGH LEVEL GROUP ANALYSIS, AND PHASE III WORK. WE
WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT THE AGREED MINUTE DOES NOT
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DICTATE TIMING FOR THE DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS STUDIES.

2. DESPITE EFFORTS TO HOLD THE LINE, HOWEVER, WE
BELIEVE THERE IS A FAIRLY HIGH LIKELIHOOD THAT THE
ITALIANS, UK, AND PERHAPS OTHERS WILL INSIST ON THE
ORIGINAL WORDING, AND THAT WE MAY, THEREFORE, BE FORCED
TO TAKE BRACKETS TO THE MID-JUNE PERMREPS MEETING FOR

RESOLUTION AT THAT LEVEL. CONSEQUENTLY, IT MIGHT BE WELL TO CONSIDER A POSSIBLE COMPROMISE SUCH AS SUBSTITUTING "UNDERWAY" FOR "INCLUDED" AT THE 29 MAY MEETING.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE. GLITMAN

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